

HOUSE BILL 1386
By Newton

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40,
Chapter 11, relative to professional bondsmen.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 11, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new section as follows:

§ 40-11-321. Professional bondsmen are authorized to employ agents, representatives or employees to act in their behalf in undertakings heretofore described in § 40-11-301(a)(4), provided that such agents, representatives or employees are approved by the courts of record with criminal jurisdiction in the county to be served and providing that each such agent, representative or employee is qualified as otherwise provided by law. Provided further, no person, firm, partnership or corporation shall be approved as a "professional bondsman" under this part until such person or entity has acted as an agent, representative or employee of a "professional bondsman" for a minimum of two (2) years. This section shall not apply to "professional bondsmen" approved by the courts prior to the effective of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.